Approved For Release 2002/06/18 : CIA-RDP79-01194A000100020003-7

Executive Registry
9900

RESTRICTED

Please return to
2065 "M" Bldg

33823

17 JUN 1948

Mr. Max W. Ball, Director
Oil and Gas Division
Department of the Interior
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Ball:

Your letter of May 14, 1948, inviting Central Intelligence Agency to accept membership on the Interdepartmental Petroleum Committee is very much appreciated. I agree that this Agency, in view of its obvious interest in foreign oil developments, should be represented on your Committee. Attendance at its meetings should materially aid our Petroleum Specialist in keeping abreast of important developments in the international oil situation.

The nature of this Agency's work places some restrictions on the extent to which its personnel may properly participate in activities not confined to the field of intelligence. Nevertheless, consistent with its mission and responsibilities, the Central Intelligence Agency will be glad to work with your group and, if requested, develop intelligence for its use.

I am pleased to designate [redacted] 25X1A member of the Consultants Panel, Office of Reports and Estimates, as the Central Intelligence Agency's member of the Interdepartmental Petroleum Committee.

Sincerely yours,

SIGNED

ORR H. HILLENKOETTER
REAR ADMIRAL, USN
DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

25X1A

ORE/[redacted]/mam
Distribution:
Addressee (orig & one copy)
Asst. Director, R&E (2)
Central Records (1)
Chief, Economic Panel (1)
25X1A [redacted] (1)
Plans & Policy Staff, ORE (2)
Signer's Copy

RESTRICTED

Approved For Release 2002/06/18 : CIA-RDP79-01194A000100020003-7